**Stake Young Men’s Camp Questions & Answers**

1. What are the dates for camp?
	1. Monday June 10 through Thursday June 13, 2024.
2. Where will camp be held this year?
	1. LDS Ragged Mountain Guest Ranch.
3. What YM ages are allowed to attend camp?
	1. All YM 11 ½ years old turning 12 during 2024, through age 18 years old – must 18 or younger at the end of camp.
4. When are the Camp Registration/Physical Forms due to the stake?
	1. No later than May 13, 2024.
5. Has the stake made arrangement for physicals?
	1. Yes. If needed, your YM can show up to the stake center on May 4, 2024, from 8:30 am. to 12:00 pm. and receive a physical necessary for camp by a medical professional.
6. Will the YM be hiking/backpacking this year?
	1. Yes, after spending June 10 and 11th, 2024 at the LDS Ragged Mountain Guest Ranch, all the YM will embark on an overnight backpack trip from the Ragged Mtn. Camp. Hikers will hike in a southern direction from camp, and end on Thursday morning at Erickson Springs Campground, spending one night at Tomahawk Reservoir between camp and Erickson Springs.

This will be a leisurely hike, nearly all downhill covering 5 miles, or less each day, at an easy pace with very little gear as the stake is providing the food – walk in the park.

1. What is the backpacking route?
	1. The YM will depart from Ragged Mountain Camp on foot accessing The Raggeds Trail #820 connection to Munsey Trail # 795 to Erickson Springs.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/gmug/recreation/hiking/recarea/?recid=33812&actid=50> ,

Traveling south - to Erickson Springs Campground where hikers will be transported by vehicle back GJ.

1. Is the hike optional - sort of. The backpack trip is a significant and culminating event for YM’s Camp, ALL are invited and encouraged to participate in the hike. At the overnight camp for the hike, awards will be given out, and a special fireside/testimony meeting will be held. However, if your youth is not able to participate in the hike, that’s okay we will be glad they participated where and how they are able. We will do all we can to accommodate all who want to participate in all or part of the camp.
2. Will there be waterfront and lake activities?
	1. Yes, YM need swimsuits and water shoes.
3. What meals are provided by the stake?
	1. All meals except Monday’s lunch.
4. What meals are the Ward/YM responsible for?
	1. Monday Lunch
	2. Snacks between meals and flavored/powered drinks if desired.
5. What are the responsibilities of the ward and parents?
	1. Get the forms filled out and back to the stake on time!!!!
		1. You may email the completed forms to Greg@GJLegal.com
		2. **Leaders to fill out the Camp Registration / Physical Form and return to the Stake by May 13, 2024.**
		3. **Youth to fill out the Camp Registration / Physical Form and return to Stake by May 13, 2024.**
	2. Transportation for YM to ragged Mtn.
	3. Assist with transportation at the end of the hike as requested and coordinated by the stake.
	4. Conduct a backpack/gear and shoe inspections prior to camp. Ensure that each young man is ready for the hike with the right gear prior to camp.
	5. Practice Backpack Hikes – ask around for the gear necessary to ensure each boy has a reasonable pack in good condition for the hike and plan at least one practice hike.
	6. Ward to provide Two deep Leadership at camp with plans for leaders stay in same cabin as youth.
	7. Gear deemed necessary by ward to be used at ward camp site i.e. shower if any, fire buckets and shovel if fires are planned.
	8. Transportation of ward-gear back to GJ.
6. What is the camp itinerary ?
	1. Attend the Young Men’s Camp Kickoff, April 28, 2024, at the Stake Center, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and find out!!!!